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TAGS: CDES, FR (GURNETT, JOHN MARTIN)

SUBJECT: DEATH OF JOHN MARTIN GURNETT

FOR: MR. THOMAS J. GURNETT, M.D.

8565 WOOLWORTH AVENUE

OMAHA, NEBRASKA 68124

I DEEPLY REGRET TO HAVE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE PARIS COMMISSARIAT OF POLICE REPORTED TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FRANCE THAT JOHN MARTIN GURNETT DIED SUDDENLY THIS MORNING WHILE VISITING A CHURCH IN PARIS. CAUSE OF DEATH UNKNOWN. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER DECEASED HAD A HISTORY OF HEART ILLNESS AND, IF SO, PLEASE FORWARD IMMEDIATELY A STATEMENT FROM ATTENDING PHICIAN TO THIS EFFECT TO AVOID LENGTHY AUTOPSY. AS LOCAL AUTHORITIES REQUIRE DISPOSITION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER TIME OF DEATH, FOLLOWING ESTIMATES ARE PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND PLANNING. ESTIMATED COST BURIAL PARIS, FRANCE DOLLARS 500; CREMATION PARIS, FRANCE DOLLARS 485. EMBALMING AND AIR SHIPMENT TO NEW YORK DOLLARS 2000; CREMATION AND AIR SHIPMENT TO NEW YORK DOLLARS 750.

PLEASE TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY TO AMERICAN EMBASSY PARIS, FRANCE. INCLUDE NAME DECEASED YOUR REPLY. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL HOME IN U.S., IF SHIPMENT DESIRED. SEPARATELY TELEGRAPH FUNDS THROUGH AMERICAN EXPRESS, NEW YORK TO AMERICAN

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EXPRESS PARIS, FRANCE. MAKE FUNDS PAYABLE TO AMERICAN

EMBASSY FOR CASE OF JOHN MARTIN GURNETT. IF SHIPMENT  
DESIRED, YOU MAY PREFER HAVE YOUR LOCAL FUNERAL HOME  
MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU IN CONFORMANCE WITH THIS  
MESSAGE.

UPON RECEIPT REQUIRED FUNDS, YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE  
CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT.  
ESTIMATE MINIMUM 7 DAYS REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF  
FUNDS TO COMPLETE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS. AS SOON AS  
AVAILABLE, SHIPMENT DATA WILL BE TELEGRAPHED TO FUNERAL  
HOME YOU SELECT.

UPON COMPLETION ALL FORMALITIES, COPY OF A REPORT OF  
DEATH OF AMERICAN CITIZEN TO BE PREPARED BY EMBASSY  
WILL BE SENT TO YOU. PLEASE ACCEPT MY SYMPATHY IN  
YOUR BEREAVEMENT.  
AMERICAN EMBASSY  
PARIS, FRANCE  
STONE

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

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